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the underlined materials as follows. Attached is a marked up copy and a clean copy of these claims.

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(Amended) [The] A composition of matter comprising an antisense oligonucleotide [of claim 3] comprising consecutive nucleotides, the nucleotide sequence of which is set forth in one of SEO ID NOS: 1-13, wherein one or more [of the oligonucleotide's sugars] sugar of the oligonucleotide contain an -OMe group at [their] its 2' position.

(Amended) A method of promoting the regression of vascular lesions, comprising introducing into a vascular cell an amount of [the] a composition of matter comprising an antisense oligonucleotide [of claim 3] comprising consecutive nucleotides, the nucleotide sequence of which is set forth in one of SEO ID NOS: 1-13, effective to reduce the levels of bcl-xL protein produced, thereby promoting the regression of vascular lesions, wherein one or more sugar of the oligonucleotide contain an -OMe group at its 2' position.

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(Amended) The method of claim 26, wherein the introducing comprises using perphyrin [or lipofectin] as a delivery agent.

Please add new claim 36 as follows:

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(New) A composition of matter comprising an antisense digonucleotide comprising consecutive nucleotides, the nucleotide sequence of which is set forth in one of SEQ I NOS: 1-13, wherein one or more sugar of the oligonucleotide is modified at its 2' position.